

Preliminary Amendment dated May 25, 2006
Application claiming priority from PCT/CH2004/000669
Attorney Docket No.: UP-350

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the current application. Claims 1-19 have been amended hereby and claim 20 has been added hereby.

The amendments to claims 1-19 are clerical in nature and do not address the substantive scope of the claims. More specifically, the amendments made to the claims hereby delete reference numerals from each of the claims, eliminate multiple dependencies and correct informalities in the language of the claims.

The specification has been amended hereby to assert a claim of priority and to eliminate informalities.

In the event Applicant has overlooked the need for any extension of time or payment of fee, Applicant hereby petitions therefor and authorizes that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 16-0248, Pappas Law Offices. Should the Examiner have any further questions regarding any of the foregoing, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at (260) 426-2340.

Respectfully submitted,



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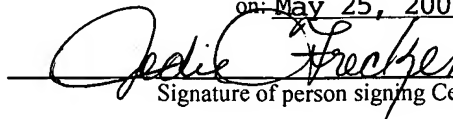
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